

**STATE OF MICHIGAN
BEFORE THE MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
NOTICE OF HEARING
FOR THE ELECTRIC CUSTOMERS OF
CONSUMERS ENERGY COMPANY
CASE NO. U-18391**

- Consumers Energy Company requests approval from the Michigan Public Service Commission for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide electric distribution service to the property commonly known as 521 Jonesville Road in the City of Coldwater, Branch County, Michigan.
- The information below describes how a person may participate in this case.
- You may call or write Consumers Energy Company, One Energy Plaza, Jackson, Michigan 49201, (800) 477-5050 for a free copy of its application. Any person may review the documents at the offices of Consumers Energy Company.
- A public hearing will be held:

DATE/TIME: **Tuesday, August 15, 2017, at 9:00 a.m.**
This hearing will be a prehearing conference to set future hearing dates and decide other procedural matters.

BEFORE: Administrative Law Judge **Lauren VanSteel**

LOCATION: Michigan Public Service Commission
7109 West Saginaw Highway
Lansing, Michigan

PARTICIPATION: Any interested person may attend and participate. The hearing site is accessible, including handicapped parking. Persons needing any accommodation to participate should contact the Commission's Executive Secretary at (517) 284-8090 in advance to request mobility, visual, hearing or other assistance.

The Michigan Public Service Commission (Commission) will hold a public hearing to consider Consumers Energy Company's (Consumers Energy) May 11, 2017 application which seeks the Commission to 1) find that the public convenience and necessity requires the construction, operation, and maintenance of an electric distribution line and the provision of electric service; 2) issue an appropriate Act 69 Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide electric distribution service to the property commonly known as 521 Jonesville Road in the City of Coldwater, Branch County, Michigan; and 3) grant further relief.

All documents filed in this case shall be submitted electronically through the Commission's E-Dockets website at: michigan.gov/mpscedockets. Requirements and instructions for filing can be found in the User Manual on the E-Dockets help page. Documents may also be submitted, in Word or PDF format, as an attachment to an email sent to: mpscedockets@michigan.gov. If you require assistance prior to e-filing, contact Commission staff at (517) 284-8090 or by email at: mpscedockets@michigan.gov.

Any person wishing to intervene and become a party to the case shall electronically file a petition to intervene with this Commission by August 8, 2017. (Interested persons may elect to file using the traditional paper format.) The proof of service shall indicate service upon Consumers Energy's attorney, Bret A. Totoraitis, One Energy Plaza, Jackson, Michigan 49201.

Any person wishing to appear at the hearing to make a statement of position without becoming a party to the case may participate by filing an appearance. To file an appearance, the individual must attend the hearing and advise the presiding administrative law judge of his or her wish to make a statement of position. All information submitted to the Commission in this matter becomes public information, thus available on the Michigan Public Service Commission's website, and subject to disclosure. Please do not include information you wish to remain private.

Requests for adjournment must be made pursuant to the Michigan Administrative Hearing System's Administrative Hearing Rules R 792.10422 and R 792.10432. Requests for further information on adjournment should be directed to (517) 284-8130.

A copy of Consumers Energy's application may be reviewed on the Commission's website at: michigan.gov/mpscedockets, and at the office of Consumers Energy Company. For more information on how to participate in a case, you may contact the Commission at the above address or by telephone at (517) 284-8090.

Jurisdiction is pursuant to 1929 PA 69, as amended, MCL 460.501 et seq.; 1909 PA 106, as amended, MCL 460.551 et seq.; 1919 PA 419, as amended, MCL 460.54 et seq.; 1939 PA 3, as amended, MCL 460.1 et seq.; 1969 PA 306, as amended, MCL 24.201 et seq.; and the Michigan Administrative Hearing System's Administrative Hearing Rules, 2015 AC, R 792.10401 et seq.

July 18, 2017



RICK SNYDER
GOVERNOR

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Bret A. Totoraitis
Consumers Energy Company
One Energy Plaza
Jackson, Michigan 49201

Dear Mr. Totoraitis:

Consumers Energy Company shall mail, by August 1, 2017, a copy of the enclosed notice of hearing to all cities, incorporated villages, townships and counties affected by the proposed electric distribution service (City of Coldwater, Branch County). Proof of service shall be filed by the prehearing conference on August 15, 2017.

Consumers Energy Company shall mail, by August 1, 2017, a copy of the enclosed notice of hearing to any incumbent utility rendering similar service in the proposed service areas (Coldwater Board of Public Utilities), and to all competitive electric distribution providers that have received 1929 Public Act 69 certificates from the Michigan Public Service Commission to render similar service to customers in the in the same service area. Proof of service shall be filed by the prehearing conference on August 15, 2017.

Consumers Energy Company shall, by August 15, 2017, serve upon each person who has petitioned to intervene a copy of the written direct testimony of its proposed witnesses and the proposed exhibits as filed with the Commission. Proof of service shall be filed with the Commission by August 22, 2017.

Sincerely,

Kavita Kale
Executive Secretary

Enclosures